

23 Years, 10,000 Pets, and Still Going Strong

his year, Recycled Pets Rescue celebrates 23 years of phenomenal success in saving dogs, cats and occasionally other animals. More than ten thousand have been swept from the jaws of certain death or abandonment and placed in happy homes where they give and receive the love they deserve.

Our success is due not only to making perfect pet-people matches but also to our intent to go beyond what most such organizations do.

Our founder, Randi Berger, began in 1987, small and simple, saving what dogs she could. She was able to help one to two hundred dogs a year in the early stages. Most of these saves came from shelters that were about to euthanize these unfortunate, unwanted animals.

Wanting to increase our impact, we became more proactive. We went to the public rather than waiting for people to come to us, holding open-house adoptions in popular local venues. And this worked! How can anyone resist the mournful eyes of a pet that simply wants the opportunity to love one special person?

As our success grew, we expanded into also taking owner turn-ins. Success fed success, and we then began sharing our methods and strategy with other rescue organizations. This outreach program continues to be a significant focus of Recycled Pets Rescue. Our impact today goes far beyond the adoptions we have been able to count over the past 23 years.

We continue to look for new ways to help. Most recently, we have begun to solve the discarded pet problem in its initial

stage. We now educate pet owners about what to expect with their pets throughout their entire lives. We cover both the pet's initial transition to its new home as well as the later years when the family or single owner will likely encounter significant changes in lifestyle and physical capabilities – both of the humans and the pets.

We also consult with current owners who feel they have a "pet" problem that warrants giving up their cherished pet. We teach what is normal behavior for a pet, what certain actions mean, what to expect as a pet ages – or the family dynamics change, and how to deal with it all, giving options that bring people hope.

Our goal in all cases is to eliminate the need for any pet to be given up at any age and to keep pets in the family they know to be theirs.

We couldn't do this without you. Thank you for helping us to keep up this invaluable work. As you know, we are an all-volunteer, non-profit 501(c)3 charity. Every donation you give goes directly into helping put love back into a pet's life.

New and Improved-My Recycled Pets: Diary of a Dog Addict

andi Berger proudly announces the release of the totally revised and updated second edition of her book, *My Recycled Pets: Diary of a Dog Addict*. Published to coincide with the 20-year anniversary of Recycled Pets Rescue, the second edition of *My Recycled Pets* has two new chapters and an emphasis on the spiritual.

Berger's wonder-dog, Skooter, features large in this new edition. Now in his twenty-first year, her dog-of-nine-lives inspires all with his approach to life. Read how a dog teaches us that there are no limits to what we can accomplish.

Learn, too, the full story of how Recycled Pets Rescue began with Berger practicing Skooter's message: the only limitations we have in this life are those we impose upon ourselves. *My Recycled Pets* justly earns its Writers Digest Inspiration Award.

Net profits from the sale of *My Recycled Pets* go directly to Recycled Pets Rescue. Buy a copy, be inspired, and help unwanted pets—all in one fell swoop. With your donation of \$50 or more, receive an autographed copy of *My Recycled Pets*. Donation includes shipping and handling. Order your book at www.RecycledPetsRescue.com today!